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Subject. (Nursery town)

Petition of the citizens of Knoxpet regarding the Assignment to them of the houses built by the Municipal Commission at Knoxpet, (Nursery town) city station, Bangalore

Previous References.

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Later References.

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Will send to P.M.C. for report.

Sd/- H.Trevelyan.

Yes.

Id/-J.G.
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May be forwarded to the President, Municipal Commission U/O.

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To

The President, Municipal Commission,
Civil and Military Station, Bangalore,

U.O.No.9002, dated the 2nd September 1939.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE
No. 4648/39
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MILITARY STATION

Please refer to Mr. Tasker's minute on the scheme for housing the poor in the Station sent with his letter No.118 dated the 26th January 1921.

Most of the residents in Knoxpet are domestic servants and belong to the depressed class. It would be seen from the minute quoted above that, as far back as 1870, the Commission acquired land and leased it to these classes for constructing houses. Buildings constructed by them were however unsightly and insanitary. These insanitary buildings were demolished after paying compensation to

owners

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The memorialists have absolutely no claim to the houses. The idea of permitting the tenants to become owners of the houses was present in the mind of Mr. Tasker but he rightly thought that it was unsafe to allow such an arrangement lest the property should change hands and the evils of private ownership creep in before conditions exist under which they could be counteracted. The petitioners may be informed that their request cannot be granted.

H.H. Cadell

OFFICE OF THE
HON'BLE THE RESIDENT
IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.
15 SEP 1939
Diary No. 9582
File No.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

U.O. No. 4648/39 dated 13th September 1939.

D.No.9865 S.N.2

Please see Mr.Tasker's Minute of January 1921 on the scheme for housing of the poor in the Station.

There is no basis for the assertion made in the petition (1) that the lands in Knoxpet were originally given

given to the petitioners as free gift and (2) that ownership of the model houses built on those lands was to be assigned to them after a lapse of time.

A petition of a similar nature was received from the residents of this locality in 1915 and the then P. M. C. held the view that the petitioners were mistaken about the ownership of the lands.

Draft submitted.

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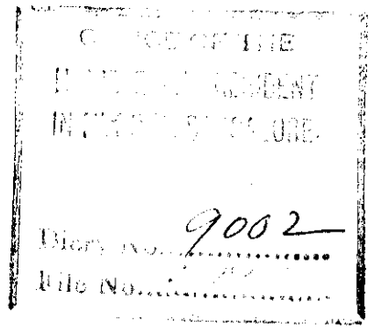
CORRESPONDENCE.

TO

The Honourable The British Resident in Mysore,

"The Residency"

Bangalore.



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Bangalore,

Dated 28-8-1939.

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R. T. Veeraragoloo

Bab. Manisamy Sam

Correspondant:-

Kotwal Kuppusamy,
Ramachandra Moodr St,
Knoxpet, Ulsoor P.O. Bangalore.

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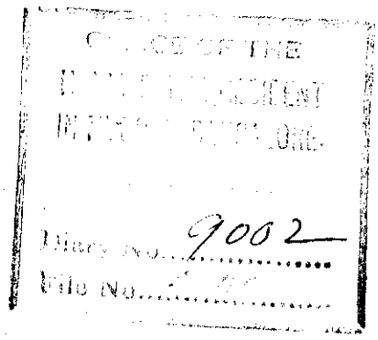

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ALL THE DEPRESSED CLASSES RESIDING WITH FAMILY AND CHILDREN IN KNOXPET NOW CALLED MURPHY TOWN ULSOOR BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION HAVE SIGNED TO THE MAHAZER SENT ATTATCHED TO HEREWITH INCLUDING HEAD XXX NATTAMAI - Village headmen, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS :-

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CIRCLE HEAD NATTAMAIS

1. C.Munisamy,
2. T.Rangasamy.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

1. Kandasamy.
2. Bob Munisamy
3. R.T.S.Veerareghavaloo
4 T.Sharmugham
5. Kothwal Kuppusamy
6. Mari Munisamy - Assistant Nattamai.

COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

1. J.Mari
2. M.Munisamy
3. Doraiswamy
4. Sama
5. Penmusamy
6. Balan
7. R.Munisamy
8. Munisamy
9. Kuppusamy
10. P.M.Thambusamy
11. Manikam
12. T.Angamuthu
13. T.Jayadevan
14. M.Manikam
15. M.Arumugam
16. A.Perumal
17. K.M.Madurai
18. Boboo

19. Kathavarayan
20. A.Murugeshan
21. K.Kasi
22. V.C.Arumugam
23. R.M.Kaveri
24. D.Mangali
25. P.T.Shanmugam
26. M.Subramaniyam
27. Narayanasamy
28. T.V.Anthony
29. Gnyanam
30. V.Veerasamy
31. P.Madurai
32. P.N.Thangam
33. P.M.Netal Madurai
34. V.R.Sampangi
35. V.R.Narayanasamy
36. B.R.Krishnasamy
37. G.M.Peter
38. M.Madurai Pillay
39. Abdul Shukoor
40. Bishop,
41. Munisamy butler
42. Munisamy
43. P,Muniyan
44. K.Kuppusamy
45. Subramony
46. T.Muthu
47. Mari
48. T.Alageshan
49 Syed Abdul Khader
50, Mahadevi
51. Padavettu
52. Mrs.Fakirisaheb
53. Ramadoss Pillay

64. Kaliammal

65. Naseer

66. Sendoss

67. M.Govindoo

68. B.G.Anthony

69. Muniyammal

70. M.Narayanasamy

71. Kullai Ammal

72. B.Manisamy

73. M.Dorairaj

74. P.Sarada

75. Govindamma

76. Mari

77. S.Kadiraveloo

78. Palmaran

79. Perumalammal

80. Mari

81. C.Manikyam

82. C.Gopal.

83. Muniyan

84. Palayammal

85. Ponnappan

86. V.R.Sampangi

87. L.M.Manikyam

88. V.V.Narayanasamy

89. C. Krishnasamy

90. K.Narayanasamy

91. F.C.Kaveri

92. P.C.Rathnam

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94. D.D.Gabriel

95. Oonnamalai

96. Thulukanam

97. H.David

98. B.Mari

89. S.P.Ponnappa

90. K.Kullamma

91 Lakshmiammal

92. Marimuthammal

93. J.Manisamy

94. Maharajan

95. Thandavarayan

96. S.Iyyanar

97. M.Manikyam

98. Madhurai

99. Valliyammal

100.Maniyammal

101.Poongang

102.Krishnammal

103.R.Chinna Thambi

104.S.Manisamy

105.M.Thangaveloo

106.D.Krishnasamy

107. Arumugam pensioner

108.Madhavarayan

109.P.M.Vijayan

110.P.Sarad

111.N.Narayanasamy

112.Neelavathiammal

113 M.Mangala

114.M.Dhamraj

115.M.Manisamy

116.M.M.Mari

117.K.Appavoo

118.M.Muniyammal

119.M.Bhaktharaj

120.Marimuthammal.

121.Mohiniammal

122.Basheer

123Thiruvengadam

124.Krisnhan

125.Dhanammal

126.Krishnasamy butler

127.Lingiah

128.Jhon butler

129.Dasamma

130.Muthusamy

131 Arogiyasamy

132 Raman

133 Chinnasamy

134.Anthony butler

135. Nagomi

136. Muniyammal

137. Arpidam

138. Arumugam

139. Aiyya Dorai

140. Mariyan

141. Kariyan Koot

142. Angamothoo

143. Papathiyammal

144.Zinomari

145.Govindoo

146. Panchalammal

147. Kotamari

148. Doraisamy

149. Paparmal

150.Doraising

151. Dhoby chinnasamy

152. Mr.Andrews

153. Munisamy

154. Kacheri

155. Meri butler

156.Anthony cook

157.Kanda Thambusamy cool

158 Arogyammal

159. Iyakannoo

160. Shankaran

161. Gangangi

162. Arogiyammal No.2

163. Durgachalam

164. Marimuthuoo

165. Ghouse

166. Sabapathy

167. Madoor

168. Chowriyappan

169. Rathnam

170. Lingesan

171. Thandaverayan

172. Thandayammal

173. Papa cook

174. Raghaveloo

175. Kamalam

176. Madesan

177. Govindaveloo

178. Chinna kannoo

179. Chinnammal

180. Dharman

181. Dholy Ramasamy

182. Sundaram

183. Damodharan

184. A. Michaël

185. H. Michel

186. Kullamma

187. Parasuraman

188. Narayanasamy cook

189. Kallakuri

190. Sundaya

191. Muthan cook

192. A. Kullammal

193 Yellan

194. Gadagopal

195. Boyee Munisamy

196. A. Rangamal

197. John Saint Peter

198. Pakkali Munisamy

199. A. Anthony cook

200. Alyyanar

201. Padavattan

202. Dhoby Chinnathambi

203. Sepoy Thambusamy

204 angadachalam

205 Honnappan

206. contractor Mari
207. Ramdoss

208 B.J. Nathan

209. K.S. Thamotharam

210. N. Adi

211. Maralu muthamma

212. Poosaru Govindoo

213. Purudugatoo Veeramma

214. Ramadulu Venkatasamy

215. -do- Nagaiah

216. -do- Puttaiah

217. Marulu Thimmappa

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219. Rayavathuloo Kataiah

220. Chandragiri Veeraiah

221. -do- Papamma

222. Venkatasamy

223. -do- Katamma

224. Mullalagiri Durgappa

225. Pasupulu Munisamy

226. Gollulu Kittappa

227. Mangana Rajaiah

228. Chanumagiri Veeraiah

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230. -do- Parasarathi

231.-do-Poosaiah

232. Charlu Kaddammal

233. Yellammakka

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236. Mulliya Mallaiah

237. Kaaoo Patti Venkatasamy

238. Kariam Venkatappa

239. Nangragaroo Gundappa

240. Kadugirulu Venkatappa

241 -do- Narsinaya No.9

242. Palupatti Pillaiah

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File No.

By order, etc.,

for Secretary to His excellency the Crown Representative.

Political Department.

Simla:

the 18th September 1939.

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Petition dated 28th August 1939 from certain members of the Depressed Classes in the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

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New Delhi

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P. T. Veeraragolu
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FROM

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

Issued.
4/10/39.

TO

Mr. Kotwal Kuppusamy,
Ramachandra Moodaliar Street,
Knoxpet, Ulsoor, P.O., Bangalore.

MEMORANDUM ~~No.~~ No. HD. 9582-39
~~G & A~~ G & A

Dated Bangalore, the 4th October *1939*.

With reference to their petition dated 28th August 1939 addressed to His Excellency the Viceroy and the Hon'ble the Resident regarding the assignment to them of the houses built by the Municipal Commission in Knoxpet, Mr. Kotwal Kuppusamy and others are informed that their request cannot be granted.

The houses are leased to the occupiers by the Municipal Commission and there was never any suggestion that they would be assigned after a lapse of time to the occupiers.

for

ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT

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